## FY18 Open Enrollment Three major changes beginning in Fiscal Year 2018

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Distribution of City Flexible Benefit Plan credits and related transactions will change from **bi-weekly to semi-monthly.** This means that Flexible Benefit Plan credits and any related transactions will be distributed over 24 paychecks instead of the usual 26 paychecks during the fiscal year.





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This year's options include the addition of a Kaiser Deductible HMO Medical Plan and an MEA Sharp Deductible HMO Medical Plan. These plans **offer lower monthly premiums**, but employees may be responsible for the **full charges** of medical services provided until their deductible is met.



After reaching their deductible, employees who choose one of these plans will pay a co-pay or co-insurance, depending on the service, up to their out-of-pocket maximum.

These plans provide employees with additional options when choosing their medical coverage plan.



3

401(k) Flex

A new 401(k) flex line will be added to employee paystubs to distinguish 401(k) contributions made from excess Flexible Benefit Plan credits versus 401(k) contributions made from their regular salary. **This is a display change only.** 

This change impacts all employee groups, except the Police Officers Association (POA), starting in FY2018. POA members implemented this in FY2016.

Designating the remaining Flexible Benefit Plan credits to 401(k) can only be done during open enrollment.

This does not alter any current benefit offered; it is clarifying whether the contribution to 401(k) is from payroll or remaining Flexible Benefit Plan credits and is a display modification that gives more clarity to the paystub for those employees that contribute to a 401(k) savings plan.

